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Formation and Headquarters

- 1. In December 1951, the 81 Allied Chinese Communist North Korean Army Unit was formed at T'iench'iao (111-06, 39-08), China, by combining Chinese Communist troops with North Korean troops in China. In March 1952, the unit had approximately 30,000 men, 60 percent of whom were Chinese Communist army troops. Most of the higher ranking officers were members of the Chinese Communist army.
- 2. On 1 May 1952, headquarters of the 81 Allied Unit was near Sinch'on (125-30, 38-21) (YC-1847).

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Organization and Disposition

- 3. In March 1952, the 81 Allied Unit was composed of 12 branch units. Four branch units comprised one division. Units of regimental strength were called upper companies (sang chung tae) and were composed of five battalions. Each battalion was composed of three companies, and each company was composed of three platoons.
- 4. In March 1952, the 1, 2, 3, and 4 Branch Units were assigned to the eastern front in Korea, the 5, 6, 7, and 8 Branch Units were assigned to the central front, and the 9, 10, 11, and 12 Branch Units were assigned to the western front.

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5. In March 1952, the 81 Allied Unit was commanded by Colonel CHU (2612) (fnu), of the Chinese Communist army, and the assistant commander was Lieutenant Colonel HYÖN (3763) (fnu) of the North Korean army. The following is a list of sections in the 81 Allied Unit and the number and nationality of personnel in each:

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Staff Section

: Chief, Chinese Communist; assistants, 3 Chinese

Communists and 4 North Koreans.

Political Section

: Chief, North Korean; assistants, 5 Chinese

Communists and 4 North Koreans.

Security Section

Chief, North Korean; assistants, 4 Chinese

Communists and 3 North Koreans.

File Section

: Chief, Chinese Communist; assistants, 3 Chinese

Communists and 2 North Koreans.

Rear Service Section

: Chief, Chinese Communist; assistants, 6 Chinese

Communists and 2 North Koreans.

Sanitary and Medical Section:

Chief, Chinese Communist medical officer; assistants,

18 Chinese Communist medical officers and 2

North Korean medical officers.

Authority and responsibility for discipline in the unit was assigned to the North Korean Ministry of Social Security, but Chinese Communist offenders had to be turned over to Chinese Communist authorities immediately after arrest.

9 Detachment

- 6. On 1 May 1952 the headquarters of the 9 Detachment, 1 81 Allied Unit, was 120 meters west of Samch'on-onch'on (125-20, 38-21) (YC-0447).
- 7. The 9 Detachment had six companies and was armed with three 60-mm mortars, 10 heavy machine guns, and 27 light machine guns. The six companies were at the following locations:

1 Company

900 men

Sinch'on (125-30, 38-21) (YC-1847)

2 Company

near Kuwol-san (125-16, 38-30) (XC-9863)

3 Company

near Sajong-ni (125-26, 38-18) (YC-1341)

4 Company

near Samch'on-ni (125-19, 38-22) (YC-0249)

5 Company

near Naengjong-ni (125-24, 37-56) (YC-1101)

6 Company

600 men

northeast of Kangnyong-ni (125-31, 37-54)

(YB-2197)

8. Some important personnel in the 9 Detachment were the following:

Commanding officer

Brigadier General TS'AI (5591) (fnu), Chinese

Executive officer

Colonel YI Kyong-che (2621/2417/?), North

Korean

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Political commissar

Colonel KU Kyong-mu (0367/2417/3541),

North Korean

Chief of staff

Major HONG Sa-hyon (3163/0934/6881), North

Korean

Operations

Colonel LI Hsing-hai (2621/5281/3189), Chinese

Intelligence

Lieutenant Colonel YUN Song-sang

(1438/2052/4161), North Korean

Supply

Captain CH'ON Pyong-suk (1131/3521/3219),

North Korean

1 Company

9. The 1 Company, 9 Detachment, was commanded by Lieutenant Colonel SUN (1327) (fnu), Chinese; the executive officer was Major NAM Sang-ch'ol (0589/4161/0772), North Korean; and the political commissar was Captain MAN No-ok (5502/4151/3768), North Korean.

6 Company

10. The 6 Company, 9 Detachment was commanded by KIM S ng-pom (6855/4161/4636), North Korean; the executive officer was CHANG Wu-man (1728/0063/3046), Chinese; and the political officer was CH'OE T'ae-sik (1508/3141/2784), North Korean.

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1. Comment. The 9 Detachment may be the same as the 9 Branch Unit.

The 9 Branch Unit was reported in paragraph 4 to be on the western front where the 9 Detachment is. The differences in designation are probably because of varying translations of the same term

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